

~~TOP SECRET~~

Friend

DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY  
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
SOURCE METHUEN EXEMPTION 3828  
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT  
DATE 2007

MEMORANDUM FOR: DEPUTY FOR POLICY COORDINATION, SE

SUBJECT: Daily Progress Report for Tuesday, 8 July 1952

1. BOFIEND. A detailed debriefing of the three members of the Zog team who exfiltrated from Albania recently has been received. According to the team's contacts ninety out of one hundred people are ready to act if a serious attempt is made to overthrow the Hoxha regime. The police are no longer to be trusted and even the Communists are said to be ready to work with any organization which plans the overthrow of the Government. The people are confused by the fact that teams enter the country representing different groups. They feel that unless these groups are united more harm than good is done by the teams' entry since the Government made effective propaganda by claiming that the NCFA intends to turn North Epirus over to the Greeks, Italian-sponsored activities are directed toward bringing the country under Italian control again, and the Yugoslav Committee plans to give the Kossovo region of northern Albania to Yugoslavia. There are small resistance groups in every village and town, all active in some degree. These resistance groups operate independently and have no contacts outside the country but all team contacts, and a number of their friends including a member of the Sigurimi, expressed a desire to work with resistance forces outside. Emergency rations enabled the team members to exist in spite of the extremely grave food situation. The need for Albanian currency for future agents is acute. The documentation

SECRET

~~SECRET~~

carried by the team withstood the test of examination by authorities by whom they were stopped and by friends contacted. Although the team reported that the population was pleased with the idea of the propaganda supply drops they felt that only Party members gained from them as no one was allowed to keep any package picked up. No report was made on whether there was any credence in the Government's charge that the food contained in the packages was poisoned.

[REDACTED], FIEND representative in London, arrived in Washington on 7 July for consultation.

2. BGCONVOX. No report.
3. QKBROIL. No report.
4. JBEDICT. No report.

*[Signature]*